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MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon
 Saturday 10:00 am
 Doors will open 15 minutes before mass begins

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
 Sunday 9:00 am
 11:30 am
 7:30 pm

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am
 Doors will open 15 minutes before Holy Hour begins

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm
 Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &
 11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

Call to make arrangements

MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am - 11:30 am & 2:30 - 4:30 pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

Please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to assist you with your other needs.

PARISH LIFE

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| Parish Secretary | Sandy D'Alessandro |
| Custodian | Jim Lamers |
| Choirs | Adele Heins |
| Saturday 5:00 pm | Adele Heins |
| Sunday 9:00 am | Diana Swift |
| Sunday 11:30 am, 7:30 pm | Pauline Brabant |
| Finance Council | Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome |
| Floral Decorations | Shelley LeBoeuf |
| Greeters & Ushers | Katie Goulbourne |
| Rectory Housekeeper | |

GROUPS

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| Knights of Columbus | Robert Sykes | 705-529-6718 |
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| Marian Prayer Group | Carmelina Farrugia | 705-549-4448 |
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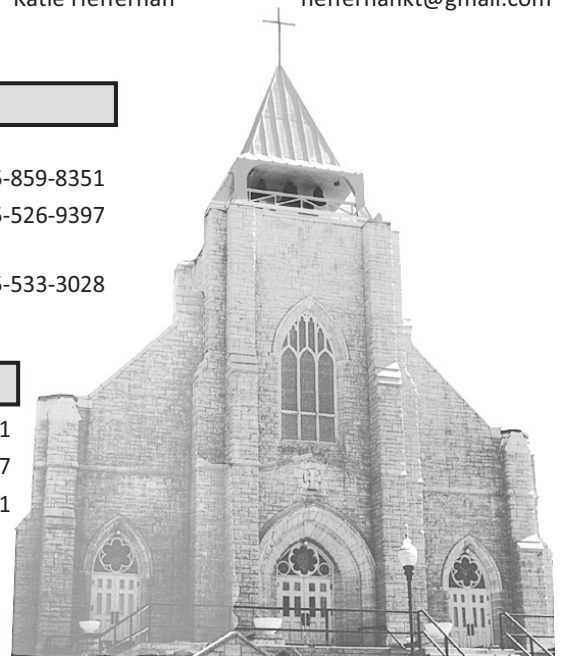
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| Youth & Family Ministry | | |
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OTHER SERVICES

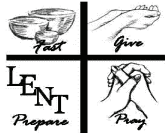
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| Natural Family Planning | | |
| Humanae Vitae Centre (Linda) | 905-859-8351 | |
| Catholic Family Services | 705-526-9397 | |
| Huronian Right-to-Life | | |
| (Michael Vanden Heuvel) | 705-533-3028 | |

SCHOOLS

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| Sacred Heart School | 705-526-0107 |
| St. Theresa's High School | 705-526-1311 |



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions Fourth Week of Lent

Tuesday March 16

12:05 noon + Rosemary Yates
Requested by Rita Cote

Wednesday March 17

12:05 noon + Robert & Gail LeClair
Requested by the family

Thursday March 18

12:05 noon + Robert & Gail LeClair
Requested by the family

Friday March 19

11am – **Holy Hour**

12:05 noon + Elmer Lavigne
Requested by Bill Lavigne

12:30 (after mass) - **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday March 20

10 am + William Small
Requested by Charles & Dolores Maguire

Sunday Masses Fifth Sunday of Lent

Vigil Mass - Saturday March 20

5 pm + Florence Dragoman
Requested by the family

Sunday March 21

9 am + Maria Lajner
Requested by MaryAnn, John & families

11:30 am missa pro populo

7:30 pm + Pia Rossi
Requested by Marce & John Ingriselli & family

Prayer Requests

Please pray for:

Shelley Smith; Anne Marie Radko; Nadine Adams;
Nicole Marchildon; Josh; Louise DeVillers; Liz Gaudet;

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives & friends:
Deacon Gerry Godsoe; Rosemary Yates; Rita Smith

Sanctuary Lamp

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of
Simone Flaim

The Pope's Prayer Intention

For March: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



Schedule

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Weekday Masses:

Tuesday thru Friday 12:05 noon
Saturday 10am

Doors open 15 minutes before Mass begins

Holy Hour:

Fridays 11am

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays after the noon mass

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9 am, 11:30 am and 7:30 pm

Doors will open 30 minutes before mass begins

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 pm to 4:55 pm

Sundays 8:30 am to 8:55 am & 11 am to 11:25 am

Parish Office Hours for Red-Zone

Tuesdays and Fridays 9:30-11:30 & 1- 2:30 pm

The office is closed Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

We continue to work remotely answering emails and the phones frequently. Thank you for your patience.

Volunteers Needed:

Many hands make light work! We are in need of volunteers to help with cleaning and ushering. We are particularly short of ushers for the weekday masses. Please read the following information and if you are able to assist please email or phone the parish office.

stmargarets@rogers.com 705-526-6313 ext 1

Thank You for your careful consideration of this need.

Ushers: Ushers oversee our Safe Worship protocols at the entrance to mass as well as they assist with traffic flow at communion time. We need ushers for the following time slots:

- all weekday masses: Tuesday – Friday 12:05 pm and Saturday 10am
- Holy Hour: Friday 11am
- all Sunday Masses: Sat 5pm, Sunday 9am, Sunday 11:30am, Sunday 7:30pm

Cleaners: We need volunteers to help with our disinfection/cleaning of the pews and touch surfaces during the following times:

- after the 12:05 mass Thursday
- after the 9am mass Sunday

We provide PPE (masks, gloves, face shields/goggles) for volunteers.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping St. Margaret's safe and open for Mass.



A Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

The Gospel on this Fourth Sunday of Lent (John 3: 14-21) allows us to return to the "on and off " relationship of the Israelites with Yahweh. In

bondage for 430 years, they cried out to God for freedom. God answered them and led them out of Egypt to the Promised Land. Unfortunately, while traversing the land of Edom, they became impatient and spoke against God and Moses for lack of water and food (Numbers 21:5).

They lost their sight of the Promised Land because of hunger and long journey to nowhere. Because of their impatience, the Lord sent poisonous snakes, which bit them; many died. When they repented, God commanded Moses to make a bronze snake, set it on a pole, and everyone who looked at it lived.

The life of the Israelites is a reflection of our life. We, too, have asked God for something: a new house, a happy family, a comfortable life, reconciliation with a friend, healing from a long ailment, and more. We cross our fingers and hope that God, in His time, will grant our dreams.

But sometimes, because we have to wait for weeks, months, and years, we start to doubt God. We become impatient, wanting an instant answer or solution instead of waiting. In our desire to speed up the process, we end up making hasty decisions that lead us to sin or commit mistakes.

Most of our sins are caused by our impatience and unwillingness to deal with uncertainty and suffering. We want resolution without delay. When the devil sees this growing impatience in us, he will offer an "instant solution" – a very tempting alternative to God's promise. This modern poisonous snake bites when one becomes impatient.

But God's love and forgiveness never cease. In the New Testament, instead of offering a bronze snake on a pole to look upon for healing, God offered His only Son – on the wooden pole. Anyone who looks and believes in him will be saved. (John 3:14). But believing means going beyond words and following in Jesus' footsteps. The crucifix symbolizes Jesus'

patience and endurance; to hold on until death. It should give us the strength to move on and carry our daily crosses with determination.

So, in our present world of quick fixes, rush jobs, instant food, ultra-fast internet, quick delivery of online purchases, let us stop and cultivate more patience. Let us pause, watch a sunset, spend time with a loved one, pray and meditate on our Lord's passion and death for an hour.

To be patient is to be calm, to allow God to be in control, to smile when plans are not working well, to gladly tolerate delays, to embrace the unknown, and to be hopeful. The joy in discovering the simple things of life can teach us the virtue of patience. Let us continue to open our eyes. Good things are fruits of hard work, patience, and endurance. Fr. Roselle

The Online Bereavement Introductory Program

New Beginnings Online Bereavement Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education, which assists and accompanies the bereaved in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time will be allocated for questions and group discussion. The ideal candidate is ready and able to participate in a virtual group setting. Each candidate will be screened prior, to being considered for admittance into the program. Start: Wed. March 17 @ 7pm

Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program

The Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education which assists and accompanies the separated/divorced in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time will be allocated for questions and group discussion. The ideal candidate is ready and able to participate in a group setting. Each candidate will be screened prior, to being considered for admittance into the program. Start: Thurs March 18 @ 7pm

There is no cost for either one of these programs. For more information and to register for either program please contact:
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